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LB 970, 1077

SENATOR LABEDZ: LB 1077 is advanced. Mr. Clerk, LB 970.

CLERK: LB 970, Madam President, by Senators Wehrbein and Baack. (Read title.) The bill was introduced on January 7, referred to Education, advanced to General File. I have committee amendments pending by the Education Committee.

SENATOR LABEDZ: Senator Baack, on the committee amendments. Senator Withem.

SENATOR WITHEM: Yes, Madam Speaker, members of the body, LB 970 is a bill brought to us by Senators Baack and Wehrbein. A portion of the bill the committee amendments deals with, the bill originally called for an audit of Class I school districts on an annual basis. Currently, there is no requirement, is my understanding, that there be this audit. The committee felt that an annual audit, particularly with Class I school districts, most of them are smaller entities and to have them go to the expense of a formal audit yearly is probably not a reasonable use of dollars, probably not demanded by our desire for accountability. So the committee amended that provision to make it once every three years as opposed to a yearly basis. I would urge you to adopt the amendment.

SENATOR LABEDZ: Is there any discussion on the committee amendments? Senator Withem, would you like to move the committee amendments.

SENATOR WITHEM: Move the committee amendments.

SENATOR LABEDZ: All those...I'm sorry, Senator Wehrbein.

SENATOR WEHRBEIN: I just wanted to say I concur with that and that's all, to the bill.

SENATOR LABEDZ: Thank you, Senator Wehrbein. Senator Withem has moved for the adoption of the committee amendments. All those in favor vote aye, opposed nay. Have you all voted on the committee amendments? Have you all voted? Record, Mr. Clerk.

CLERK: 25 ayes, 0 nays on adoption of the committee amendments.

SENATOR LABEDZ: The committee amendments are adopted. Senator Wehrbein, on the advancement of LB 970, as amended.